Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 96

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 113

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 96—Relative to the Deputy Sheriff Sandra Powell-Larson Memorial Highway.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 96, Ortiz. Deputy Sheriff Sandra Powell-Larson Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate a portion of State Highway Route 5 in the County of Sacramento as the Deputy Sheriff Sandra Powell-Larson Memorial Highway. The measure would also request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost for appropriate signs showing that special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

WHEREAS, Sacramento County Deputy Sheriff Sandra Powell-Larson died in the line of duty at 48 years of age while transporting state prisoners on northbound State Highway Route 5 at 375 feet south of R Street in Sacramento; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Powell-Larson graduated from Rio Linda High School in 1968, and began her career with the Sacramento County Department of Social Services; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Powell-Larson continued her county career with the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office while becoming a Sacramento County Reserve Deputy Sheriff; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Powell-Larson became a full-time Sacramento County Deputy Sheriff on September 30, 1974, while continuing her secondary education at Sacramento City College, where she received an Associate of Arts degree in criminal justice; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Powell-Larson is survived by her parents, Pete and Virginia Rudkin; her brother, Bill Powell; her sister, Pam McBroom; her brother, John Powell; her husband, Robert Larson; her daughter, Teresa Larson Crable; and her son, Marc Larson; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Powell-Larson was known by her fellow officers for her dedication to the Sacramento County Sheriff's Officers Association, and her commitment to the protection of the citizens of our state; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Powell-Larson served 18 years on the Sacramento County Deputy Sheriff's Association Board of Directors, where she worked tirelessly to improve wages and working conditions for her fellow deputies; and

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WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Powell-Larson was the first female officer to die in the line of duty in the over 150-year history of the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that the northbound and southbound portions of State Highway Route 5 between Q Street and J Street in the County of Sacramento be dedicated to the memory of this law enforcement officer who made the ultimate sacrifice in her service to the people of the State of California; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby dedicates the northbound and southbound portions of State Highway Route 5 between Q Street and J Street in the City of Sacramento, as the Deputy Sheriff Sandra Powell-Larson Memorial Highway; and be it further

Resolved, That the Department of Transportation is requested to determine the cost of erecting the appropriate signs, consistent with the signage requirements for the state highway system, showing these special designations, and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering the cost, to erect those signs; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the author for appropriate distribution.